



Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations  
and Rural Development

# Union Bay

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# The Union Bay Site



The Union Bay Site is the location of a large coal waste pile occupying approximately 13 hectares of filled foreshore.

The Union Bay Site was used as a coal washing/load out facility established around 1886 and later used by Canadian Colliers (Dunsmuir) Ltd. (1910 – 1960).



# Key Dates

1965



Weldwood of  
Canada leases a  
portion of  
Crown land now  
known as the  
coal pile from  
the Province

2005



Weldwood of  
Canada  
amalgamates  
with West Fraser  
Mills

2017



West Fraser, the  
Province and  
Kensington  
Properties reach  
agreement on  
remediation of  
coal pile



# Remediation

- March 2017, Province acquired 5 ha of the coal pile from Kensington Properties (\$1)
- West Fraser leases the remaining 8 ha of the coal pile from the Province
- West Fraser will pay for the installation of an engineered cover over the entire 13 ha coal pile
- Post remediation, the Province will be responsible for monitoring and maintenance (nominal on an annual basis)
- Depending on monitoring results, a water treatment plant may need to be installed



# Post-Remediation



Once remediated, the entire coal pile area will be undeveloped vacant Crown land and will be used as green space.

Development on the site and timber growth/harvesting on this area will be prohibited.



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Questions?